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### **News Briefs**

#### Medical group hours

The 8th Medical Group clinic closes during the following dates and times:

- □ Today from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. ☐ All day Sept. 21
- ☐ All day Sept. 29

☐ During the wing fun-run, Wolf brief and the 8th MDG's scheduled photo Sept. 30

During these hours, those in need of care should call 782-5378 or 782-4333. For emergencies, call 911.

#### **Holiday traffic**

Chusok, Korea's Thanksgiving celebration, runs from Saturday to Monday. An estimated 27 million people will be on the roads heading south from Seoul in observance of Chusok.

Traffic is expected to be at its worst Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon and Monday from midnight to 6 a.m.

During this time, the number of highway access points will be restricted due to increased traffic. For more information, contact an orderly room.

#### Restaurant closed

The Korean Garden Restaurant located in the West Winds Golf complex closes Sunday in connection with the Korean holiday, Chusok.

#### Airport bus

Starting Oct. 1 the Incheon Airport bus will run at 3:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. from Kunsan to Incheon and from Incheon to Kunsan at 8:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. For more information, call 782-4619.

#### Public affairs tour

A public affairs cultural tour is scheduled for Sept. 26 at the Jeonju Traditional Culture Center. Wolf Pack members have the opportunity to play Korean musical instruments, make a traditional Korean meal and watch a classical art performance. The deadline to sign-up is today. To sign-up for this tour please call Mrs. Rosemary Song, 8th Fighter Wing public affairs at 782-5194 or contact her via e-mail at songae.song@kunsan.af.mil.

#### Latin night

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, tonight at 8 p.m. is Latin night in the Loring Club.



#### **CLEAN SWEEP**

Members of the 8th Fighter Wing work alongside their counterparts of the Republic of Korea's 38th Fighter Group to pick up litter along the base's west side during the annual beach cleanup Sept. 8. More than 100 Wolf Pack members teamed up with the ROK Air Force to remove trash that washed up along the base's shoreline during the past year.

In this week's issue ...



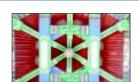
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6-day Forecast

Saturday Hi/Low 82/65

Tuesday Hi/Low 77/64

**Evening showers Scattered Showers** Wednesday Scattered-T-storms Scattered showers

Sunday

Hi/Low

Hi/Low

74/63

79/65

Monday Hi/Low 78/64

Cloudy Thursday

Hi/Low 74/61 Partly cloudy

# **PERSPECTIVE**

# Knights sharpen wing's combat sword

**By Maj. Jonathan Bland** 8th Maintenance Operations Squadron Commander

I am incredibly proud to be a Knight. As I told the squadron when I first arrived, this is the finest maintenance operations squadron I've ever seen. Its people are outstanding, and the work they do is as well

I am happy to brag about them any chance I get, but most chances start out with people asking, "MOS? What do they do?" I'd like to answer that question to help the wing better understand the important and world-class job your 8th MOS does to support the Wolf Pack. The 8th MOS is the one maintenance squadron that doesn't perform daily hands-on repairs.

We help the hands-on maintainers in the 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and the 8th Maintenance Squadron do their jobs better. The wing's mission is to Defend the Base, Accept Follow-on Forces and to Take the Fight North. The wing is a combat sword. The 8th MOS' mission is to "effectively manage and train maintenance group resources and ensure the safe generation of combat airpower." Translated: We sharpen the wing's combat sword so it's ready for war.

Training is our largest contribution. Our maintenance training flight's four instructors teach about 320 classes per year to the group's 1,200 maintainers.

Our five training managers manage the training requirements for all 8th Maintenance Group personnel, keeping them qualified to perform their duties. This year, they crushed Pacific Air Forces training standards across the board, including beating the fully qualified rate by 14 percent.

Also key to maintaining the wing's combat readiness is the training provided by the weapons standardization section. The "load barn" selects the wing's best weapons load personnel and uses them to train and qualify 8th AMXS personnel for combat munitions loading. In 2005, we trained 192 load crew members and certified 50 percent more crews than required for combat. We also hosted the first-ever head-to-head competition between Osan and Kunsan loaders at this summer's Weapons Fest.

In addition, WSS personnel maintain qualifications to load and arm a range of aircraft from the Republic of Korea Air Force under the aircraft cross-servicing program so ROKAF pilots could land and reload at Kunsan if needed. A final area of our "eword-sharponing"

"sword-sharpening" training comes from 8th MXG's quality assurance. The QA personnel are often feared as the guys who get maintainers in trouble for making a mistake, but these Knights are here to make 8th MXG better. During exercises, QA transforms into the exercise evaluation team. This year, they scripted 550 combat scenarios for the Wolf Pack's seven operational readiness exercises, honing our war fighting skills so we could earn that "excellent" rating in the operation readiness inspection. In addition to training, QA performed more than 5,800 quality assessments this year and saved \$2.6 million by submitting 54 deficiency reports for defective parts received off the shelf.

Training is only the start of what

the 8th MOS does to make the wing better. Our talented Airmen of the maintenance operations flight manage the maintenance database and help 8th AMXS and 8th MXS stay on top of their mountain of scheduled and unscheduled F-16 maintenance. They switched the wing from stone aged consolidated aircraft maintenance system to the integrated maintenance data system and helped 8th MXG and 8th Operations Group develop the wing's \$50 million flying-hour program.

The maintenance operations center acts as the hub for all maintenance information, coordinating activities and helping the flightline get the support they need from across the base. Their

efforts enable wing leadership to effectively execute real-time command and control during peace and contingency operations.

Last, but certainly not least, programs and resources flight manages a wide range of programs for both the 8th MOS and the group. This five-person flight

transforms during contingencies into the group's follow-on forces managers. As such, they directly fulfill the wing's mission by accepting hundreds of maintenance follow-on forces. They welcome the personnel, move them and their tons of equipment, to designated work locations so incoming combat aircraft can be immediately ready to turn to take the fight north. It is an incredible undertaking, but they have shined at it, earning an "outstanding" during the ORI and getting the F-117s established here during their rotation.

The Knights are not a big squadron, but we are proud of the work we do in service to this wing. We strive every day to make the Wolf Pack better, smarter and more effective. We sharpen the wing's combat sword for war.

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Col. Brian Bishop Commander, 8th Fighter Wing

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### Air Force celebrates 58 years while looking to future

By Gen. Paul Hester Pacific Air Forces commander

HICKAM AIR FORCE BASE, Hawaii – The U.S. Air Force will celebrate its 58th anniversary Sept. 18, and while it marks a time to reflect on our humble beginnings as a separate service, it's also an opportunity to look at where we're headed.

As we, the men and women of the Pacific Air Forces celebrate, I urge each of us to look toward the future as our predecessors did back in 1947.

Those bold pioneers who established our foundation of independence and excellence, officers by the names of Doolittle, Arnold and Chenault, influenced by airpower theorists, such as Mitchell, Trenchard and Douhet, took pride in the role they played in the beginnings of today's most powerful Air Force.

It's been less than a century since William "Billy" Mitchell demonstrated how bombers, correctly equipped, could sink some of the world's largest war vessels like the German battleship *Ostfriesland*. In response to the resultant fury of our nation's battleship commanders, his superiors sent him to Hawaii to quiet the hot debate of a separate air service. As you know, it didn't work.

Instead, off the coast of Mitchell's place of temporary exile, PACAF recently reiterated the decisive nature of the air power Mitchell envisioned and for which he fought so fervently. In joint demonstrations of maritime interdiction capability, several different Air Force aircraft types showed their lethality in Resultant Fury '05, and most recently in another exercise in the North Pacific.

We've come a long way; from fighting to convince our nation's leaders of the necessity of a separate Air Force to establishing complete air superiority over our enemies in a matter of hours.

Today's is a global war that's caused us to shift our focus and redefine the way our military fights. We've come full circle. Instead of focusing on our separate strengths, we're focusing on the synergy of jointness, cooperating with our sister services, Guard and Reserve Units, and coalition partners at a level never before achieved.

PACAF is undergoing a transformation of its own. You're the pioneers of the expanding PACAF mission. Be proud in the role you play as Airmen in new endeavors such as standing up the Kenney warfighting headquarters; in the beddown of rotational bombers, fighters and tankers; in preparing for the addition of C-17s, Global Hawks and additional fighter forces to the PACAF arsenal

Happy Birthday to our great Air Force family and to you magnificent PACAF Airmen whose contributions are helping to redefine the 21st century's United States Air Force. I'm proud to be serving with you!

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Airman 1st Class Jorge Reyes and Airman 1st Class Patrick Beuligmann, both from the 8th Security Force Squadron, reach for the softball along with a Korean counterpart during the softball game Saturday.

# ROKAF, 8th SFS enjoy sports day as one team

By Staff Sgt. Erien Clark-Chasse 8th Fighter Wing public affairs

Saturday, the 8th Security Forces Squadron and Republic of Korea Air Force security police as well as others got into the spirit of team building with a sports day.

The three units played softball, basketball and volleyball against each other at the fitness center.

"This was to get to know our counterparts in case we have to go to war at their side," said Master Sgt. Terry Williams, 8th SFS. The activities started at 2 p.m. and ended at 6 p.m. The games were integrated with everyone randomly mixed together into each team.

"I had a wonderful time. It was refreshing to get out and have fun with our Korean counterparts," said Master Sgt. Phyllis Henry, 8th Mission Support Group.

After the games, everyone went the Defender Den for a barbecue. Volunteers from the 8th MSG, 8th Communications Squadron and other units helped organize this year's event.



1st Lt. Chris Caldwell, 8th Security Force Squadron, goes for the lay up around an opponent during the basket-ball game while Airman 1st Class Joey Massa, 8th SFS, runs up to assist.

# Airman found guilty of rape, sentenced to five years

By Master Sgt. Brian Orban 8th Fighter Wing public affairs

An Airman with the 8th Logistics Readiness Squadron was sentenced to five year's confinement during a general court martial, which concluded here today.

A panel of Air Force officers also sentenced Senior Airman Eric Barber to receive a dishonorable discharge and forfeiture of all pay and allowances.

The panel found the Airman guilty of one charge and specification of rape and one charge and specification of making a false official statement. The court found him not guilty of one charge and specification of burglary but did find him guilty of the lesser-included offense of unlawful entry.

According to testimony presented at the two-day trial, military prosecutors proved that Airman Barber illegally entered a dormitory room of a female Airman on the night of April 9, 2005, and raped her. The prosecutors then proved Airman Barber provided a false official statement by later lying to investigators from the base's Air Force Office of Special Investigations detachment. The Airman remained at the base's confinement facility until Sept. 8, when he was transferred to the military detention facility at Camp Humphries.

# Hispanic Heritage Month runs through Oct. 15

Kunsan honors the accomplishments of Hispanic Americans during this year's Hispanic Heritage Month, which continues through Oct. 15.

This year's theme is "Hispanic Americans: Strong and Colorful Threads in the American Fabric."

The month-long celebration dates back to 1968 when President Lyndon Johnson proclaimed National Hispanic Heritage Week would begin Sept. Later, it expanded into a monthlong celebration in 1988.

Americans throughout the world will celebrate the culture and traditions of U.S. residents who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico and the Spanish-speaking nations of Central America, South America and the Caribbean. The Sept. 15 starting point was chosen because it is the independence day of five countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.

Today, Hispanic Americans in the armed forces, National Guard and Reserve continue this legacy on the front lines. There are currently more than one million Hispanic Americans in the armed forces today and more than three dozen have received the Medal of Honor.

Kunsan's Los Lobos Organization hosts the following events:

☐ Saturday at 9 p.m. is Latin night with Hispanic Hors d'oeuvres in the Defender's Den

☐ Sept. 23 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. is the Hispanic Heritage Commemoration Luncheon in the Loring Club. The guest speaker is Col. Linda Urrutia-Varhall, 8th Mission Support Group commander

☐ Sept. 24 from 7:45 a.m. to 6 p.m. a features visit to Little Sisters of the Poor home

(Courtesy of Kunsan's Los Lobos Organization)

### Cultural Corner

#### Did you know?

Korea has been influenced by four major religions: Buddhism, Confucianism, Christianity and Shamanism. Some Koreans follow more than one religion as many new Christian converts continue to practice ancestor worship and perform Buddhist rites. According to the current edition of the CIA World Factbook 46 percent of Koreans have no affiliation, 26 percent

are Christian, 26 percent are

Buddhist, one percent are Confucianist and other religions represent one percent.

Korean shamanism includes the worship of thousands of spirits and demons that are believed to dwell in every object in the natural world, including rocks, trees, mountains and streams as well as celestial bodies. Shamanism in ancient Korea was a religion of fear and superstition, but for modern generations, it remains a colorful and artistic ingredient of their culture.

A shamanistic ritual, rich with exorcist elements, presents theatrical elements with music and dance. The introduction of more sophisticated religions like Taoism, Confucianism and Buddhism did not result in the abandonment of shamanistic beliefs and practices.

They assimilated elements of shamanistic faith and coexisted peacefully and Shamanism has remained an underlying religion of the Korean people as well as a vital aspect of their culture.

(Information is courtesy of the Korean Overseas Information Service.)

# Korean, American golfers tee off

### KAGA tournament fosters friendship, understanding

By Master Sgt. Brian Orban 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

American and Korean golf enthusiasts met on the greens of the West Winds Golf Course Sept. 9 to make new friends while strengthening the bonds between the base and local community.

The Korean American Golf Association, or KAGA, sponsored the golf tournament to foster the ongoing relationship between both countries with its members donating their time and money to benefit the base and those stationed here.

This year's event started with a round of play on the greens with each team featuring an even mix of U.S. and Korean players. The evening concluded with a banquet with prizes going to the top players and teams.

"It was a resounding success. Our young Airmen truly have an appreciation of what the KAGA is and how it benefits the base," said Col. Linda Urrutia-Varhall, 8th Mission Support Group commander. In fact, more than half of the U.S. players were junior enlisted members, and they had a unique opportunity to get a "big picture" perspective of how events like this help strengthen U.S. and Korean relationships, the colonel added.

"These people came together as strangers in the beginning and were friends by the end," Col. Urrutia-Varhall said.

Since its creation 11 years ago, the KAGA has contributed more than \$3 million to benefit the base and golf course, according to Robert Burton, West Winds Golf Course manager. For example, when the officers' club was damaged in a 1993 fire, KAGA members affiliated with the Korean



Col. Linda Urrutia-Varhall, 8th Mission Support Group commander, watches as Yi, Kang Dae reacts to a missed putt during a Korean American Golf Association golf tournament Sept. 9 at the West Winds Golf Course. Mr. Yi, the former KAGA chairman, was one of dozens of Korean association members playing in this year's competition.

Business Association stepped up and contributed thousands of dollars to help rebuild the facility. In recent years, the association helped purchase new concrete signs, markers and benches for the

"I work as a starter at the golf course, and I see these people every weekend," said Master Sgt. Robert Pinder, one of the U.S. players at this year's event. "The tournament was one way I could help improve the base and community relationship and to get to know these friendly people.'

A waiver signed by officials in Washington D.C. several years ago allows the KAGA's Korean members to use the base course.

Over the years, Mr. Burton has seen interest at the golf course here grow dramatically, thanks in part to the KAGA.

When I was first assigned to Kunsan in 1975 there were only 13 golfers on base," he added.

"There was a manager, two cashiers and three maintenance personnel. The greens and tee boxes were cut twice a week with hand mowers, and the grass on the fairways were essentially nonex-

Today's course is a far cry from the one Mr. Burton saw 30 years ago. The course staff alone has grown to 14 people, which includes eight people dedicated solely to maintaining the course and grounds. Meanwhile, the course has received a variety of improvements over the past 18 months.

'We were able to install fairway drainage pipes, rock face the ponds and install a state-of-the-art irrigation system," the course manager said. "We have also added a warm-up net along with an artificial putting green. Other additions have been water stations on every hole and the purchase of a sand pro for our bunkers. We have [also] planted new grass seed on our fairways and greens to ensure playability throughout the year; not just the summer time.

The bottom line is the KAGA made all of these improvements possible, according to Mr. Burton. Thanks to their continuous support, American service members stationed at Kunsan "have a facility to test their ability (or lack of it) and make life at Kunsan a little more enjoyable.'

In months to come, the KAGA's support will lead to other improvements here.

"In the coming year, we will purchase a fairway mower to groom the grass for uniformity," he said. "A new double-tiered Asian-style driving range ... is on our list for upgrade projects to better serve the Wolf Pack."



Chief Master Sgt. Kevin Ludwig, 8th Fighter Wing command chief, receives a souvenir from Mr. Yi at the end of the tournament.

## **KAGA** donates funds for **Hurricane Katrina victims**

By Master Sgt. Brian Orban 8th Fighter Wing public affairs

Responding to a global call for help, members of the Korean American Golf Association donated \$2,000 to the American Red Cross to support ongoing relief operations in the aftermath of Hurricane

KAGA Chairman, Cho, Nam Sok, presented the money to Col. Brian Bishop, 8th Fighter Wing commander and Mr. Ash Duncan, base Red Cross manager in a private ceremony Tuesday afternoon.

Money collected came from each member of the golf association, who wanted to do their part to help those stricken by the hurricane,

'Seeing KAGA, whose members probably have little to no contact with our people in Louisiana and other states devastated by this storm. to see this type of response is heartwarming," said Mr. Duncan.

In addition to the KAGA's donation, the base chapel holds special offerings during religious services Sunday to collect money to benefit Hurricane Katrina victims.

All offerings from the Catholic parish are designated for the American Red Cross while money collected during Protestant services will go to the Salvation Army. Catholic Masses start at 9 a.m. and 8 p.m., and Protestant services begin at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. Base chaplains are also available to help Kunsan members affected by the

According to recent count, the Red Cross has collected more than \$587 million since the category 4 storm struck the Gulf Coast, and the Red Cross "is spending it just as quickly," Mr. Duncan said.

"This money started out going to shelter people and feeding them," the Red Cross manager added. "Now we're moving into the emergency needs area. We're providing them money to replace things that they need to move on with their lives."



Photo by Senior Airman Joshua DeMotts

Airman 1st Class Alex Valdez, 8th Security Forces Squadron, tees off to start his round during the KAGA golf tournament. Airmen of all ranks were among 35 Wolf Pack members who participated in this year's

# CALL THEM CHIEF TOO

# The Army warrant officer; a breed apart?

By Chief Warrant Officer 2(P) Eric Strach Patriot missile system technician, C 2/1 ADA

Pop quiz time. You're walking down a sidewalk on Kunsan Air Base when you encounter an Army soldier wearing a silver bar on his beret, but the bar has black squares. You recognize the rank as a warrant officer, but do you salute? What do you say as a greeting?

Warrant officers have been a part of the military ranks for about two centuries. The military grade of "warrant officer" dates back before Columbus, during the fledgling years of the British Navy. The Army can trace the lineage of the warrant officer back to 1896, specifically to the headquarters clerk. Officially, the birth date of the Army Warrant Officer Corps is July 9, 1918, when Congress established the Army Mine Planter Service as part of the coast artillery.

The Air Force no longer employs warrant officers. The USAF inherited warrant officer ranks from the U.S. Army at its inception in 1947, but their place in the Air Force structure was never made clear.

When Congress authorized the creation of two new senior enlisted ranks in the late 1950s, Air Force officials privately concluded that these two new "supergrades" could fill all Air Force needs then performed at the warrant officer level, although this was not publicly acknowledged until years later.

The Air Force stopped appointing warrant officers in 1959, the same year the first promotions were made to the new top Air Force enlisted grade, chief master sergeant. Most of the existing Air Force warrant officers entered the commissioned officer ranks during the 1960s, but tiny numbers continued to exist for the next 21 years.

The last active duty Air Force warrant officer, Chief Warrant Officer James Long, retired in 1980 and the last Air Force Reserve warrant officer, Chief Warrant Officer Bob Barrow, retired in 1992. Since that point, the U.S. Air Force rank of warrant officer became obsolete.

Current Army warrant officer rank (left to right) W-1 through W-5.



Warrant officer rank as it once looked in the Air Force prior to phase out.

aviators who fly helicopters. They enhance the Army's ability to defend our national interests, and to fight and win our nations wars. The three currently stationed here are patriot warrant officers.

Candidates who successfully complete Warrant Officer Candidate School are appointed in the grade of warrant officer one.

When promoted to chief warrant officer two, warrant officers are commissioned by the

president and have the same legal status as their traditional commissioned officer counterparts.

However, warrant officers remain single-specialty officers whose career track is oriented toward progressing within their career field rather than focusing on increased levels of command and staff duty positions.

Technical warrant officers are usually derived from the noncommissioned officer corps of their specialty. It is not unusual to find brand new technical warrant officers with more than 12 years of active military service. Aviation warrant officers can come from anywhere. Some come right from high school and others come from the ranks of all military branches.

There are five grades within the Army warrant officer corps. A person is initially appointed as a warrant officer, or WO1, and progresses to chief warrant officer two, or CW2, after two years. Competitive promotion to chief warrant officer three, or CW3, chief warrant officer four, or CW4, and chief warrant officer frive, or CW5, occur at about six-year intervals for aviation warrant officers and five-year intervals for those in technical fields

Well, all of that is fine, but it doesn't answer the salute and greet question.

Basically, warrant officers are in the area between enlisted and regular commissioned

officers.



U.S. Army ph

Eight of the original 40 Army mine planter warrant officers appointed in 1922. This photo was taken at Ft. McPhearson, Ga.

commissioned officers.

Warrant officers' also have some of the most interesting titles in the Army. A male warrant officer can be called sir, mister or, after obtaining the rank of CW2, chief. For female warrant officers it's ma'am, miss and, after obtaining the rank of CW2, chief.

Every individual warrant officer has a particular favorite. For example, most technicians like to be called chief while most aviators like mister, but those are only generalities.

Besides keeping Airmen out of trouble on their way back from the dining facility, how does knowing about Army warrant officers help an Airman? This expands the knowledge

needed to excel in the joint-service world of today's U.S. Armed forces, and it is also possible for Airmen to become an Army warrant officers

For me, becoming a warrant officer was one of the most difficult things I have ever done. As a staff sergeant I could have been a platoon sergeant, but as a warrant I feel I make a greater impact on unit operations and the

Patriot world.

For more information about the warrant officer program, go to: http://www.leavenworth.army.mil/wocc/warrant\_off/howtowo.htm



## **7 DAYS**

#### TODAY

Financial seminar — The Family Support Center's weekly personal financial management briefing starts at 3 p.m. in Bldg. 755, room 215. It's geared for those in the E-1 to E-4 pay grades. No registration required.

Karaoke night — The Falcon Community Center's karaoke night runs from 8 p.m. to 2 p.m.

**Club events** — The Loring Club's super social hour starts at 6 p.m.

#### SATURDAY

Outback steak house — The Falcon Community Center's trip to Outback Steak House in Jeonju is scheduled. See the community center for details. Late nighter — The Loring Club's late nighter lasts until 4 a.m.

**Live in concert** – Rock 'n' roll band Faded performs at 10 p.m. at the Loring Club.

Wood safety class — The arts and crafts center's wood safety class starts at 1 p.m.

Karaoke night — The Falcon Community Center's karaoke night runs from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

#### **SUNDAY**

Wings deal — The Loring Club offers 10-cent chicken wings from 6 to 8 p.m.

Bingo day — Bingo action starts at 2 p.m. at the Loring Club with the early bird game beginning at 1:45 p.m.

Madden challenge — The Falcon Community Center's X-Box Madden challenge starts at 1 p.m. Sunday brunch — The Loring Club serves Sunday brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Dollar days** — People can bowl for \$1 per game with 75-cent shoe rental at the Yellow Sea Bowling Center.

#### MONDAY

Pizza special — The Loring Club serves 50-cent pizza slices from 6 to 8 p.m.

Yellow Sea Bowling Center — Bowl for 50 cents per game with 50-cent shoe rental from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Movie madness — The Falcon Community Center's triple movie madness night starts at 7 p.m. **Lunch special** — The Yellow Sea Bowling Center's lunch special includes a gyro with fries or rice and a drink for \$4.95. Wolf Pack members bowl for free when they order the daily special.

Pool tournament — The Loring Club's nine-ball pool tournament starts at 7 p.m.

#### TUESDAY

**Pool tourney** — The Falcon Community Center's eight ball tournament begins at 7 p.m.

Monte Carlo night — The Loring Club's Monte Carlo night buffet runs from 5 to 7 p.m. Game action begins at 6 p.m.

Yellow Sea Bowling Center — Ladies bowl for free starting at 6:30 p.m.

Lunch special — The Yellow Sea Bowling Center's lunch basket includes a Reuben sandwich with fries and a drink for \$4.95. Wolf Pack members bowl for free when they order the daily special.

Margaritaville — The music of Jimmy Buffet, cheeseburgers with drink specials are offered during the Loring Club's Margaritaville night starting at 7 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

Social time — The Loring Club's super social hour begins at 6 p.m.

Reunion briefing — The Family Support Center's return and reunion briefing starts at 3 p.m. in the Health and Wellness Center classroom at the Wolf Pack Fitness Center. This mandatory briefing addresses challenges of challenges facing single and married military members preparing to return to their families.

Yellow Sea Bowling Center — Bowl for 75 cents per game.

Karaoke night — The Falcon Community Center's karaoke night runs from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Lunch special — The Yellow Sea Bowling Center's lunch special includes a barbecue sandwich with fries and drink for \$4.95. Wolf Pack members bowl for free when they order the daily special.

#### THURSDAY

Orphanage visit — The Family Support Center's weekly Korean orphanage outing leaves the military personnel flight parking lot at 6:15 p.m. The weekly outings give base people a chance to interact with local Korean orphans. To register, call 782-3772 or 782-5644.

Putting clinic — The West Winds Golf Course hosts a free putting clinic at 5:30 p.m.

Birthday party — The Falcon Community Center's "onse" birthday celebration begins at 7 p.m.

Steak special — The Loring Club serves 10-ounce rib eye steak for \$12.95 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Dollar day — Bowl for \$1 per game at the Yellow Sea Bowling Center.

**Lunch special** — The Yellow Sea Bowling Center's lunch special is pot roast with rice and drink for \$5.50. Wolf Pack members bowl for free when they order the daily special.

#### **UP 'N' COMING**

Planned trips — The Falcon Community Center's September trips include Mt. Naehang and Kumsansa temple Sunday; Lotte World Sept. 24 with registration deadline of Sept. 22; Korean Folk Village Sept. 25 with Sept. 22 deadline.

Walking tour — The Family Support Center holds its monthly walking tour of Gunsan City Sept. 24. Reservations are required by calling 782-5644.

**Booking reminder** — The Loring Club reminds base agencies to book now for unit holiday events. Outdoor rec trip — Outdoor Recreation holds a hiking trip to Byeonsan Sept. 24. Registration ends Sept. 21. The cost is \$30 per person.

To submit events for 7-Days, send an e-mail to WolfPack@kunsan.af.mil. Submissions are due by noon Thursday one week prior to publication and must include time, date and location or the event and the contact's daytime phone number. For more information, call the base newspaper office at 782-4705.

#### AT THE MOVIES

"DEUCE BIGALOW: EUROPEAN GIGOLO"

Rating: R for strong crude and sexual content, language, drug use and nudity Staring: Rob Schneider and Eddie Griffin Synopsis: A former pleasure-for-pay gigolo

is seduced back to his unlikely profession when his former pimp is implicated in a series of murders. Along the way, he competes against an assortment of male prostitutes and abnormal female clients.

Show time: 7 and 9:30 p.m. today and Saturday and 6 and 8:30 p.m. Sunday

#### "THE DEVIL'S REJECTS"

Rating: R for intense violence and sexual content

Staring: Sid Haig and Bill Moseley

Synopsis: This follow up to "House of 1,000 Corpses" picks up with the Firefly family only a few weeks after the events in the first film. The family is on the run and continues their killing spree while on the run from Sheriff John.

Show time: 8 p.m. Thursday

#### "THE ISLAND"

Rating: PG-13 for violence, action, sexuality and language

Staring: Ewan McGreggor and Scarlett Johansson

Synopsis: The resident of a contained facility in the 21st century, like all people living here, hopes to be chosen to go to The Island, an uncontaminated spot on the planet. He learns his whole life is a lie.

**Show times:** 7 and 9:30 p.m. Sept. 23

and Sept. 24

#### CHAPEL SERVICES

#### **CATHOLIC SERVICES**

Daily Mass — 11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday

Weekend Mass - 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. Sun-

Reconciliation — Monday through Friday by appointment, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. Sunday

R.C.I.A. classes — 7 p.m. Wednesday, chapel conference room

#### **PROTESTANT SERVICES**

General worship – 11 a.m. Sunday Contemporary praise and worship – 6 p.m.

Gospel service – 1 p.m. Sunday Inspirational praise and worship service - 7:30 p.m. Friday

### **LATTER-DAY SAINTS SERVICES**

Weekly service — 3:30 p.m. Sunday **SONLIGHT INN** 

The Sonlight Inn opens from 6 to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 6 p.m. to midnight Friday and 6:30 a.m. to midnight Saturday. The chapel hosts Sunday school and Bible groups. For information, call 782-4300.

#### FREE CLASSIFIEDS

AA meeting — The next Alcoholics Anonymous meeting is Wednesday from 7 to 8 p.m. in the coffee house area of the Sonlight Inn. For more information, call 782-4300.

Guitar equipment — A Roland Blue Cube Amplifier, 60 watts, one 12" speaker, Korean power, requires transformer, \$400; Johnson J-Station, simulates 18 different amp models, digitial effects, cakewalk software, \$75; Line 6 AM-4 Amp Modeler, 16 different amp models, \$75; Boss Super Chorus, \$50; Boss Digital Pitch Shifter/Delay, \$70; Phil Pro PSM-700 electric guitar, Bill Lawrence Pickups, wood stripes, includes case, \$200. For details, call Scott Estes at 011-676-6480.

#### WOLF PACK WHEELS SCHEDULE

#### **OSAN AIR BASE SHUTTLE**

Monday to Thursday – Leaves Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Leaves Osan at noon and 6 p.m. Friday – Leaves Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and 3 and 6 p.m. Leaves Osan at noon and 10 p.m.

Saturday – Leaves Kunsan at 7:30 and 10 a.m. Leaves Osan at noon and 4 p.m. Sunday – Leaves Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and noon. Leaves Osan at noon and 5 p.m.

One-way tickets are \$12.50 for general Wolf Pack members or \$11.50 for Airman morale program members. Round trip tickets are \$25 or \$23 for Airman morale program members.

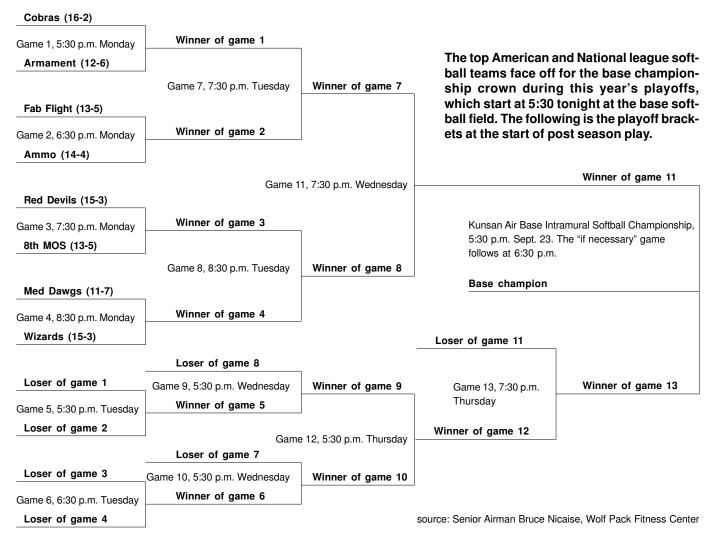
#### **E-MART SHUTTLE**

Saturday and Sunday - Leaves Kunsan at 10 a.m., noon and 2, 4 and 6 p.m. and leaves the E-Mart at 11 a.m. and 1, 3, 5 and 6:30 p.m. Round trip tickets are \$5.

#### INCHEON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT SHUTTLE

Monday and Tuesday and Thursday to Saturday - Leaves Kunsan at 4 a.m. and 6 p.m. and leaves Incheon at 9 a.m. and 11 p.m. from Gate 11 at the airport. One-way tickets are \$27.50 or \$25 for Airman morale program members.

# Intramural softball playoffs set



# Red Devils, Cobras dominate during football season action

By Master Sgt. Brian Orban 8th Fighter Wing public affairs

(Editor's note: Information for this column is compiled by intramural and varsity sports coaches. For more information on submitting information to this column, call the base newspaper staff at 782-4705.)

#### Red Devils shut out 8th MOS

The Red Devils of the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron continued to dominate the base's intramural ranks after it shut out the 8th Maintenance Operations Squadron 24-0 during the last week of this year's intramural football preseason.

Red Devils quarterback John Williams threw two touchdown passes and one pick-off to lead the Devils' offensive machine.

A key interception by defensive back Jeremy Newsom proved to be the turning point of the game, according to Devils' assistant coach John Williams.

"After he caught the interception, the [MOS] team fell apart," the coach said.

Later in the game, the maintainers pushed deep into the Devils territory, but the Engineers refused to budge.

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"They got to the 20 yard line threatening to score, but our defense held up and stopped them on a third-and-long conversion," Williams said.

Others making big plays for the Red Devils included wide

receiver Jason Jackson, who caught one touchdown pass, and wide receiver Lee Sinclair who caught one TD pass and made four stops. Linebacker Brandon Reynolds ran in the other touchdown for the Red Devils along with the two-point conversion.

"Our team worked together, and everybody played their parts, no questions asked," Williams said. "CE has a lot of speed, which will be hard to beat, and [we have] a lot of people who can play any position."

#### Cobras defuse Ammo

Taureen Cofer from the 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Cobras picked off an end zone interception and ran it back for the touchdown to start the Cobras scoring drive as they shut out the 8th Maintenance Squadron Ammo team 14-0 Monday evening.

Tough defense kept both teams out of the end zone in the first half. During their offensive drive in the second, Ammo threatened to score two yards from the goal line when Cofer made the turnover.

"Their defense was very strong. We had some trouble moving the ball," said Cobras coach Phillip Solomon.

Durwin Kerr made a 35-yard touchdown reception in the final minutes of the second half to seal the game.

"Ammo played very well, but our defense stepped up to the challenge and held them off," Solomon said. "Then our offense put the icing on the cake."

#### **SPORTS SHORTS**

Unless noted, all events, games or classes are held at the Wolf Pack Fitness Center. For more information, call the center at 782-4026.

#### Martial arts class schedule

- $\blacksquare$  Hapkido 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. weekdays
- Tang soo do 6:30 and 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. weekdays and noon Saturday
- Tae kwon do 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. weekdays
- Kung fu 8 p.m. weekdays

#### Aerobics class schedules

- Spin class 5:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays
- Step aerobics 5:30 a.m. Monday and Wednesday; 5:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday
- Pilates 5:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 10 a.m. Saturday
- Circuit training 5:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday
- MFIT Noon Monday and Wednesday; 6:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday
- Kickboxing 5:30 a.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. Saturday
- Ab attack 6 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday
- Boot camp 5:30 a.m. Thursday

#### **STANDINGS**

As of Wednesday

#### **INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL**

| AMERICAN LEAGUE | W  | L  |
|-----------------|----|----|
| x Cobras        | 16 | 2  |
| y Red Devils    | 15 | 3  |
| y Ammo          | 14 | 4  |
| y Med Dawgs     | 11 | 7  |
| Warriors        | 10 | 8  |
| Defenders       | 8  | 10 |
| Holloman        | 8  | 10 |
| Lugnuts         | 4  | 14 |
| Army            | 3  | 15 |
| Egress          | 1  | 17 |
|                 |    |    |

- x Won division title
- y Earned playoff seat

### Sept. 7 game results Med Dawgs 20, Defenders 5

Red Devils 20, Holloman 2 Lugnuts 15, Army 0 Med Dawgs 13, Warriors 3 End of regular season

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### **Sept. 8 game results** 8th MOS 17, Phase 8

Wizards 1, AGE 0 Avionics 15, 8th SFS B 0 **Sept. 9 game results** Avionics 4, Wizards 3 8th MOS 16, Armament 1

8th SFS B 7, Comm 0 End of regular season

#### INTRAMURAL FOOTBALL

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

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| Cobras     | 2  | 0 |
| Wizards    | 2  | 0 |
| Loggies    | 1  | 1 |
| Comm       | 1  | 1 |
| Red Devils | 0  | 1 |
| Ammo       | 0  | 1 |
| Defenders  | 0  | 2 |
|            |    |   |

#### Monday's game results Loggies 19, Defenders 0 Cobras 13, Ammo 0 Wizards 19, Comm 13 Tuesday's game results

Comm 7, Defenders 6 Wizards 6, Red Devils 0 Cobras 19, Loggies 0

#### Upcoming games Monday

5:30 p.m. – Comm vs. Red Devils 6:30 p.m. – Ammo vs. Wizards 7:30 p.m. – Defenders vs. Cobras **Wednesday** 

5:30 p.m. – Wizards vs. Loggies 6:30 p.m. – Red Devils vs. Ammo 7:30 p.m. – Cobras vs. Comm

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

| TEAM       | , | W | L |
|------------|---|---|---|
| Cold Steel |   | 0 | C |
| Dragons    |   | 0 | C |
| Juvats     |   | 0 | C |
| Med Dawgs  |   | 0 | C |
| Egress     |   | 0 | C |
| 8th MOS    |   | 0 | C |
| Warriors   |   | 0 | C |
|            |   |   |   |

#### Upcoming games

Tuesday
5:30 p.m. – Egress vs. Knights
6:30 p.m. – Dragons vs. Cold Steel
7:30 p.m. – Warriors vs. Juvats

5:30 p.m. – Knights vs. Warriors 6:30 p.m. – Cold Steel vs. Med Dawds

Dawgs 7:30 p.m. – Juvats vs. Dragons

Schedules are subject to change without notice.

# *Finding China:* Learning, expanding a world view

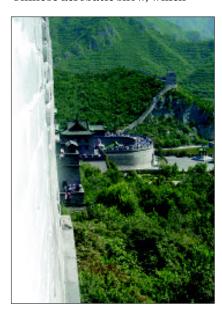
By Staff Sgt. Erien Clark-Chassé 8th Fighter Wing public affairs

Kunsan assignments give Wolf Pack members a chance to get out and learn about the Korean culture, but many don't realize this is a "jumping off point" for other places in Asia.

Several Wolf Pack members took a trip to Beijing at thousands less than what it would have cost to fly in from the States. The trip, Sept. 2 through 5, enabled them to see some historic sites of China.

"The Chinese culture is so vast and had such variety that it was kind of hard to take it all in with only four days," said 1st Lt. Brooke Brander, 8th Fighter Wing.

Within minutes of setting foot in Beijing, the group was taken to The Temple of Heaven, a tree-filled holy place once used to pay homage to the oldest deities in China. This was followed by a visit to Tiananmen Square, a location famous for its gatherings and the student protests in 1989. The first night in Beijing concluded with a Chinese acrobatic show, which



This view from the Great Wall of China shows the many turns and curves used in the wall's construction. Chinese tradition says this keeps evil spirits away.

#### Before you go

- ☐ Prior to departure to any location, military members should check out the 7th Air Force travel package, which could include extra training and a review of safe locations while in a foreign country.
- ☐ Bring a buddy.
- ☐ Use only marked and legitimate cabs.
- ☐ Pack athletic shoes.
- ☐ Have your passport and keep it safe once in country.
- ☐ Have fun!

showed off many of the moves now famous in martial arts movies.

The second day started with a trip to a restored part of the Great Wall of China. It was a chance to walk on history, and visitors were encouraged to explore freely.

"As a civil engineer, the Great Wall was an awesome demonstration of early engineering in action. The massive effort and quality of materials required to construct such a structure, without the aid of modern equipment, was amazing. I would have loved to spend an entire day out there, feeling the breeze at the crest of the hills after a long hike," said 1st Lt. Kathryn Augsburger, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron, who attended the trip.

A restful bus ride let everyone

recover from their walking before they came face-to-face with jade, a famous export renowned for its looks and mineral properties thought to be medicinal. The jade carving factory educated visitors about the types and colors of jade as well

This statue of a ky during the reign of

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This statue of a kylin dragon was cast during the reign of Emperor Qianlong. The kylin had the power to punish evil and repel the wicked. It has a dragon head, lion tail, ox hooves, deer antlers and fish scales all over.



Photos by Staff Sgt. Erien Clark-Chasse A statue in the 440,000 square meter Tiananmen Square is part of the People Heroes Monument that commemorates China's revolutions and

Passing jade on to children because green jade simply gets darker in color, and therefore more valuable the longer it is worn. In Chinese history, the darkest jade was worn by the royal family almost exclu-

sively.

independence throughout history.

In fact, one of the things seen during the next part of the trip was how much jewelry the royal family kept at their vacation home. The visitors got an inside look into how the royal family

vacations at the Summer Place and the way they spent time relaxing. The royal treatment continued with a chance to eat roast duck made in the style of the royal family followed by a performance by

enjoyed its



The throne section of the Forbidden City was as close as most visiting dignitaries ever got to the emperor.

the Beijing Opera.

The last day of touring began with a stop at the Forbidden City, which let outsiders see the former inner sanctum of one of the oldest palaces in the world. For centuries, none but the royal family could even enter. Now, visitors walk freely and even have a chance to grab a coffee at the Forbidden City Starbucks. The next stop included a stop at the pearl market and Lido Market. It was here everyone learned about pearls, everything from how they are used to what gives them their color. Then for a finale, visitors were turned loose in Lido Market to get an education on how to bargain with vendors for a variety of goods.

"A helpful tip on bargaining: Try not to get too attached to an object from a particular store. You must be willing to walk away, if they appear unwilling to meet your bargained price," said Lt.

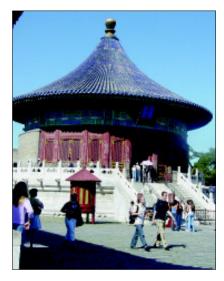
Augsburger. "The chances are that you will find the same or similar souvenir from another vendor, or they might just call you back with a better price."

Some of these bargaining sessions could go on for up to 30 minutes and are considered part of the experience. The tour guide even explained the vendors quite enjoy the bargaining sessions.

Though this trip seemed to be a whirlwind of activity, it gave Wolf Pack members a chance to taste the culture and life in Beijing and China. So find your passport and take advantage of all that Asia has to offer. There is not better time than the present.



Senior Airman Juanika Glover, 8th Fighter Wing, takes a break while shopping in Lido Market, Beijing. The Chinese markets offer fast-paced bargaining along with a variety of goods.



Home to the gods, this house in the Temple of Heaven was only used twice a year for prayers.